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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed November 18, 2002, in the above-identified application. This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. If any extension of time is required to consider this response, such extension is hereby requested.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, and 21 as follows:

1. (Amended) An adhesive article comprising a first layer comprising a transparent film, the first layer having a first major surface and a second major surface opposite the first major surface; a second layer comprising a fluid transport substrate, the second layer having a first major surface and a second major surface opposite the first major surface, the first major surface of the second layer being in contact with the second major surface of the first layer;

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